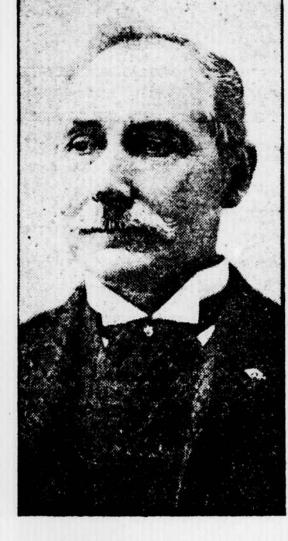
HELPED TO DEDICATE MASON'S NEW HOME



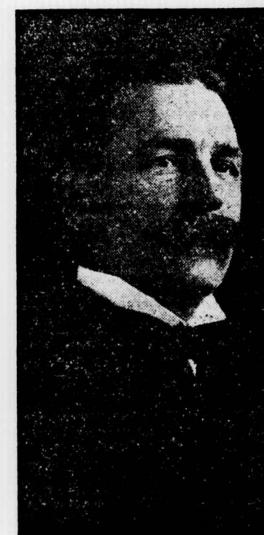
E. St. Clair Thompson, Grand High Priest. (Photo by Buck.)



Augustus B. Coolidge, Grand Master.



William H. H. Cissel, Grand Commander, Knights Templar.



J. H. Small, Jr., President Masonic Temple Association. (Photo by Harris-Ewing.)



chanted the Lord's prayer. its subject was, "A Clearer View of a usage. Common God and a Holier Love Among

Rev. J. Henning Nelms,

Address of Grand Master. Grand Master Coolidge said:

"With these ceremonies peculiar to our

"More than a century ago, when our ship of the Mohammedan's God. country was young and when the Federal model municipality, rivaling in attractive-

tributing this building.

This is not to be simply a home for the stands as an evidence of the influence of s teachings. It speaks for the power

"It has cost thousands-hundreds of human hopes. thousands of dollars. It has cost labor and sacrifice on the part of the member-

The world will never know, and few of us fully realize, how much we owe to those who have had the enterprise in evolved no higher ideal. No time, no charge, particularly the president and ex- country, no religion has offered humanity ccutive committee of the Masonic Temple a higher purpose or a nobler plan. Association. To the careful thought and planning, the patient and untiring efforts of these brethren, to their abiding faith in the face of unforeseen obstacles, to the enthusiasm they have been able to inspire, is due in large measure the consummation of our hopes.

Temple Is Worthy.

"Today we can have a Masonic Temple commensurate with the dignity and deeds? standing of our time-honored institution. The same loyalty and love for the order, bol? Yes. But with power to bind men the same pride in its reputation and wel- together and to lead them on to danger Adam Schneider, Carey S. Fry. George fare which has rendered the erection of and death. building possible will insure its presguard against injury in the future. Thirty-eight years ago the temple we

has been realized.

"It will be a matter for congratulation, however, if the coming years shall show has done it in part. Wherever its influ- which begins September 28 and ends Octhat growth and that advancement which ence has been felt, in every land where tober 10, will come the dedication of the able, and if within the lifetime of some of burden of the widow and the orphan; it by the prima donna Nordica October 15, us the Grand Lodge may dedicate an- has responded to the appeal of pity for when an elaborate musical program will other Masonic Temple, a grander and the poor and the unfortunate; it has be presented. even more imposing structure to our quelled the anger and driven the hate out

for all that is elevating and ennobling be strength to the frail; it has lifted the day by the 22d district democratic conmore and more recognized. May Masonic fallen; it has helped to cleanse the atand may the virtue and benevolence, the it has fostered, it has sanctified, it has uprightness of character of its members hallowed the purity of the home-the this beautiful temple we dedicate to-

Following the oration, during which the type of all the joys which humanity hopes speaker was frequently greeted with ap- will come when this life is done. plause, the vast audience was called to its feet by the grand master. "America" Masons, to build this beautiful temple was sung by the octet and the audi- here in the heart of your nation's capital. ence, accompanied by the orchestra, under | And you do well to meet together tonight the direction of Sol Minster.

Mr. Nelms' Address.

Rev. J. Henning Nelms said in part: other temple was dedicated. That temple stood on the top of Mount Morlah, in the city of Jerusalem. Its architectural temple to that for which your order has & Co., for which corporation he was secbeauty was the wonder of the ancient stood in the annals of the past, that to retary and general manager, May 10, world. Its history is the story of human which it pledges itself as its future task, 1908. life. Its influence has been a gulf stream We dedicate this house to a broader in the tide of human affairs. Planned by David, second King of Is- and to a holier love among men. rael, built by Solomon, in an age of splen-

dor and magnificence, it became the center of worship for the greatest race the world has ever known-great in the past nated. Visitors inspected it from cellar In the centuries that followed, that

by accomplishment, great in the present to roof. Many were the commendations Gen. Picquart, the minister of war; M. good the promise of God. temple was sacked and pillaged and plun-

the Roman empire it was profaned by the it was declared, "had contributed more areth and his followers. And today, on dividual." the site where it stood, there stands the ancient order, we dedicate tonight this Mosque of Omar. And from its loftiest

"The history of human life is like the propriate selections. city was little more than a hope, this life of nations and of races and of individ- filled during the dedication ceremonies as checkered story of that temple. In the gavel was first used by the immortal uals, too, there has ever been that same follows: Augustus B. Coolidge, grand Washington. Since that time the nation mixture of the good and the evil. But master; Henry K. Simpson, deputy grand which he loved and for which he fought through the great maelstrom of human master; George C. Ober, senior grand has grown to be a world power, and the existence, since the building of that tem- warden; J. Claude Kelper, junior grand Federal city which he conceived and ple, there has flowed from it a current of warden; Arvine W. Johnston, grand secwhich bears his name has become a tremendous influence on the lives of men. retary; James A. Sample, grand treasurer; ness the most renowned cities of the has crumbled, the marble is crushed Dawson, grand chaplain; J. Russell Verand the great bronze columns of Jachin brycke, assistant grand chaplain; Ben W. "It is not too much to say that in this and Boaz have tottered and fallen-and Murch, grand marshal; Charles E. Baldgrowth and position Masonry has been a for centuries the bat and the owl made win, senior grand deacon; T. John Newmaterial factor. To the architectural their home in the wreck and the ruin; ton, junior grand deacon; W. H. Singlebeauty of the capital it is now con- but from the building of that temple ton, grand sword bearer; William W. Jerthere has come down through the years, through the decades, through the cencraft. It is a monument to Masonry. It turies, an influence for good to mankind, a great gulf stream flowing on and on, ever across the tides of human woe, and human want, and human weakness and

Masonry's High Ideal.

of man. Out of the ages there has been

"The religion of Moses prophesied a Messiah who would be a brother to men. The founder of the Christian faith, by every act of a gentle human life, confirmed that purpose to be the noblest ideal and the only way to uplift hu-

manity. "And the followers of signs, the square, the level and the plumb line. Do you imagine that because they are simply of which we may well be proud, artistic symbolic they have no power to teach and W. Evans, H. K. Simpson, Secretary E. in design, commodious in construction, to lead men to higher thought and nobler

"Go ask the scarred veteran to tell you the story of his country's flag. A sym-

ervation and will prove an impregnable task, the task to which it set itself so many Walter B. Pettus, William C. Fowler, centuries ago? I submit that it is incon- William H. Nichols, M. J. Hull, Joseph testably true that because of the institu- W. Zimmerman, H. W. P. Hunt, W. are about to vacate was dedicated. The tion of Masonry the world is less selfish, Ivanhoe Jochum, C. C. Calhoun, C. C. brethren were then rejoicing that a build- and cruel, and hard, and unkind than it Helmick, A. B. Hooe, Edward C. Dutton, ing had been provided adequate to their would be had the work of Masonry been A. M. Poynton, Sol Herzog, C. J. Longleft undone. I maintain that by its power acre, Franc E. Sheiry, Joseph Herzog, "Masonry has kept pace with the for good to men the fallen have been David Busch, Gus W. Wiegand, James growth and advancement of the capital. lifted, the weak strengthened and the Crosby, George Wheelock and a host of Since the jurisdiction has quadrupled in strong made stronger yet. I contend that others filling every available seat and membership. Tonight we have reason to hearts are warmer and homes are puter much of the standing room of the imfeel that our ambition regarding a temple because of its vital force among the chil- mense hall. dren of men.

may prove this magnificent edifice unsuit- it has flourished, it has made lighter the great Auditorium as a temple of May Masonry in the District of Colum- the tired toiler and the traveler on his bia continue to grow, not only in num- way; it has sheltered the homeless; it has ideals be here taught and here cherished, mosphere of social life. It has protected, be as conspicuous in the community as is home, the very warp and woof of domestic joy, the corner stone of our liberties, the bulwark of our civil government and the

in solemn but joyous assembly to dedicate The benediction, closing the exercises, this house—not to the goddess of beauty, was pronounced by Rev. U. G. B. Pierce. though in very truth you have a right to boast of its beautiful architecture; not to the goddess of wisdom, though true wisdom will be learned in the secret con-"Tonight tells of the time when an- claves that will be held within its silent chambers; not to the glory of your ancient order, of which you are justly arrest in Malden, Mass., and charged proud, but you and I now dedicate this with larceny of \$61,000 from George Gould

Visitors Look Over Building.

the conveniences of the structure for the uses to which it is to be applied.

diction was pronounced by the grand and again and again. In it some of the sion, during which, it was subsequently chaplain, Rev. Joseph Dawson. The octet kings of Judah and of Israel stood proud announced, votes of thanks were given and triumphant, and some were murdered the reverend gentlemen who assisted in The oration was delivered by the Rev. there. Within its sacred walls men wor- the dedication ceremonies, Dr. Simon, J. Henning Nelms, rector of the Pro- shipped and prayed. And again they Mr. Nelms and Mr. Pierce. A vote of Cathedral Church of the Ascension, and blasphemed the holy place by unholy sympathy and congratulation was passed for the absent president of the Masonic "Originally dedicated to the worship of Temple Association, J. Henry Small, Ir.

> idolatry of the pagan. Again it was the to the successful erection of the new spiritual home of the gentle Jesus of Naz- temple than those of any other single in-During the evening, preceding the services, as well as while they were going on, peak the crescent guides men to the wor- and afterward, a chosen orchestra, under

> > mane, grand pursuivant; Ralph L. Hall, senior grand steward; Lem. Towers, jr., junior grand steward; Warren C. Bick-

ford, grand tiler.

Priest E. St. Clair Thompson, Grand Anights Templar, Past Grand Commander Stony creek down the west side of the

Temple, Mystic Shrine, and Alexander McKenzie, Benjamin S. Graves, George A. Moseley of the interstate commerce commission, Thomas C. Noyes, B. F. Smith, Orville Drown, Jacobus S. Jones. A. W. Kelley, Robert Armour, Dr. Mark F. Finley, William V. Lewis, Julius Reis. W. Ingham, Charles T. Lindsey, W. F. "And now how has Masonry done its Gude, Adolphus Gude, Frank B. Curtis,

Following the dedication of the temple "It has not completed its task, but it last evening and the nousewarming

of many a human heart; it has helped C. W. Lapp Nominated for Congress. CLEVELAND, September 19.-Charles bers, but in strength. May its influence shielded the innocent; it has given W. Lapp was nominated for Congress to-

Ecuador Celebrates Independence. GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, September 19 .-Guayaquil is today celebrating the ninety-eighth anniversary of the declaration of independence from Spain and the fes-

number of years. Fifteen thousand per-

sons paraded the streets tonight carrying

torchlights and cheering for the republic.

Will Bring Back Accused Man. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., September 19 .- A of Massachusetts today for the return to fire fighters made a desperate stand. Chicago of John H. K. Edwards, under

clearer view of God, the universal Father | White Entertains Gen. Wood in Paris dwellings were in the danger zone. PARIS. September 19.-The American ambassador, Henry White, gave a dinner The entire building was then illumi- tonight in honor of Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, U.S.A. Among the guests were United States; Gen. Dalstein, military governor of Paris; Gen. Brun, chief of the general staff, and Senator George

FIRE FIGHTERS WEARY

Ready to Yield Victory to Forest Flames.

DROUGHT SERIOUS MENACE

Incendiaries Reported at Work in the Pennsylvania Woods.

PALL OF SMOKE ALONG COAST

Blazes in Adirondacks, Maine, Connecticut and Pennsylvania Reported Making Progress.

Smoke from the extensive forest fires burning in widely separated districts of the eastern portion of the United States and southern Canada has enshrouded the entire section beneath a murky pall, so heavy in some places as to obscure the sun and through a wide area to interfere seriously with transportation and varlous occupations of everyday life.

The haze is not confined to land. Smoke banks extend well off the coast and enfold the routes of coastwise and, in part, of transatlantic shipping in their hampering embrace.

From Canada to Maryland. From the Canadian woods and the forests of Maine down through the Adirondack region to the Catskills and beyond to the Pennsylvania lumber regions fires are burning. In the immediate vicinity of these fires, which of themselves are causing heavy damage, the coluds are ascending to the regions of the steady air currents, seemingly driven eastward for the most part.

The fires themselves have in some localities held up railroad transportation. In others, even far removed, they have so thickened the atmosphere as to make fast running dangerous. In a few cases yesterday ball games in some of the leagues had to be concluded earlier than usual because of the premature darkness brought about by heavy smoke.

Fires Spread and Progress.

Reports last night from the woods of Maine and Pennsylvania and from indicate that the fires are progressing and spreading. In the Catskills in New York state the situation improved, the patrols reporting that they have the fires under control.

A drenching rain is greatly needed all through the forest sections of the east. In many places prayers are being offered up for this relief, not only to check the forest fires, but to break the drouth which is felt in many

Ready to Abandon Fight.

BALSTON, N. Y., September 19 .- Forest fire which are sweeping over Saratoga county are the most disastrous in the history of that section of the state. Already hundreds of acres of woodland

have been destroyed. The flames are Men who have been fighting fire for a

to give up the fight. The only hope of checking the fire is in rain. A fire is sweeping over Mount McGregor. It is feared that the historic cottage where Gen. Grant died will be destroyed.

Grant Cottage in Danger. Special Dispatch to The Star.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., September 19.-The Grant cottage at Mount Mc-Gregor, Saratoga county, is in the path of a forest fire, which has been burning BALDWIN DIRIGIBLE FLIES for several days in the neighboring town of Greenfield.

The wind has been blowing in such a direction that the flames have been kept lieut. Foulois and Sergt. Ward five or six miles distant. Should the winds change and no rain fall, however it is feared that the flames may reach the mountain.

In the cottage, which is preserved by New York state, President Grant spent his Forest fires have destroyed large quanities of timber in the northern part of Baldwin dirigible war balloon made an-

Catskills Fires Abated.

now affre

ALBANY, N. Y., September 19.-Col. William F. Fox, state superintendent of forests, who has been in the Catskills directing the fight against the forest fires. returned here tonight. He reports that all the fires there are now under control. The authorities were advised today from Commander W. H. H. Cissell of the Glenns Falls of a fire extending from Hudson river.

Connecticut Fires Spread.

CANAAN, Conn., September 19 .- The forest fires which have been burning on the hills for the past three days are still blazing fiercely. A large force of men spent last night digging trenches around the base of Tom mountain in an effort to check the flames.

Bear mountain, the highest point in northwestern Connecticut, has been practically burned over. People in that section and those living near the Canaan mountains fought the fires all night to prevent their spreading to their homes. An area of over 500 acres has already been burned over.

Only Hope Lies in Rain. AUGUSTA, Maine, September 19 .-

The razing of vast sections of timberlands by forest fires continued without noticeable decrease today. It was estimated that up to today the khaki burst into cheers.

destruction porated towns, aggregated more than \$300,000. In the showers predicted for today

lies the only relief possible for the situation. during the past three days cannot last under the strain much longer. Should they cease their efforts at any time the PASSED MISTRESS WITH LOOT. fires might communicate with each woodland that would embrace hundreds Clever Hired Girl Makes Getaway other, making a stretch of blazing

Wind Brings Relief.

ELLSWORTH, Maine, September 19 .-The forest fire situation had improved pected nothing, a clever servant girl thief somewhat in Hancock county early to- walked out of the house of John E. Mars-You have done well, then, my brother tivities surpass anything seen here for a day, owing to a slight shift of the wind den in West Philadelphia yesterday with which took it away from the imme- an apron full of jewelry valued at \$5,000. diate danger points at South Brooks- The girl came to Mrs. Marsden Thursday ville and Surrey villages and the West and applied for a position as a domestic. Hancock settlement. At Brooksville the fire had not suc-

ceeded in crossing the brook and meadrequisition was issued on the Governor ows which divide the town and where ing the fire past the village to the north. street attire passed out of the house. Only a few scattered dwellings were in danger. The Hancock fire, which yesterday

threatened the West Hancock settlement. had turned and was running toward the Ellsworth-Lamoine road, where but few Fires and Drought. HARRISBURG. September 19 .- Advices

Chief of the Bureau Conklin has gone to one part of the state to superintend the l work of extinguishing the flames, while city has been stamped out.

that the total under the jurisdiction of the department of forestry is not far short of

The principal fires upon state forest reserves or which threaten such land are in Union, Snyder, Center, Clinton and Mifflin countles. These are only three distinct fires, however. The Union-Snyder-Center area is one big fire, burning along the adjoining edges of these counties. Re- DEFENDS OFFICIAL COURSE IT'S SCHERR'S TURN NEXT ports are that it is under control. The Clinton county fire is south of the Susquehanna river, between Renovo and Lock Haven. This fire is still raging and Lock Haven. This fire is still raging and working up the mountain toward the Declares Republican Policy Was Senator Elkins Non-Committal as to

Drought Is Severe.

With the enforced suspension of many industries, crops ruined, live stock suffering and river navigation at a standstill, the drought is fast assuming serious proportions in western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and West Virginia.

At night raging forest fires light up

miles of territory, while thousands of persons are doing everything in their power to check the flames. Meetings are held at which prayers for rain are offered. A majority of the smaller streams are as dry as a bone and their beds are Taft tonight addressed an enthusiastic being used as wagon roads. Near Marietta. Ohio, the large steamboat Tornado,

tween fifteen and twenty million bushels omes considerable suffering will result Mr. Bryan with reference to the railway from a coal famine.

the village of Long Valley, near Williams- Islands we should leave them. A stable later. port, yesterday. A large house and the government is established, so that this town slaughter house, belonging to the is equivalent to a resolution in favor of but this was saved by twenty men with presented to the United States with ref-

axes cutting away the roof. While the men fought the flames the the Spanish war, and asserted the congoods on cars and these were pushed into the mine out of the danger zone. Conditions are so serious because of

the protracted drouth that the trolley and suffering and loss of life on both sides plant of the Pottsville Union Traction Company is liable at any moment to lose of war.' its supply from the Pottsville Water Company, which is husbanding its stored water at every point.

Forest fires, which have spread from

the railroad tracks to the timber lands, are causing much excitement about Tobyhanna and other places in the Pocono mountains. The area already covered by the flames is 3,000 acres. The flames in some places have reached a height of forty feet, and the loss suffered by property owners is large.

Incendiaries at Work. WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., September 19 .- struction of two small lines, branches of

New forest fires are burning west and the old road. north of this city.

The flames which threatened to do damage to logs belonging to the Central per cent for thirty years, the amounts pald to be a second lien on the railroad, payable after thirty years. By this means the fires continue to burn in the slashings there is little danger of immediate Trouble is threatened in the vicinity of

Trout Run. At that place it is believed an incendiary is at work. He has not een caught in the act of setting fires, but blazes have been discovered in places where he is known to have been. The fire wardens have been instructed to shoot his legs off in case they catch nim in the act of setting a blaze.

At Blackwells a fight is being made under direction of the state forestry commission. Aid was sent from Lock Haven to assist in fighting the fires which hreaten to reach Renovo. This city is shrouded in smoke.

impossible to fight flames.

Appeals for Aid. BELVIDERE, N. J., September 19 .-Forest fires near Stillwater, Sussex county, have assumed such grave proportions that the state fire warden has week are exhausted and will soon have been appealed to for aid and has directed that the authorities employ all the help needed to master the flames. The fire has destroyed hundreds of acres of young timber and a great deal of valuable old timber.

BALLOON SAILS SPLENDIDLY

AGAIN AT ST. JOSEPH.

Cheered by Big Throng on Military Grounds.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., September 19.-The the county. Glass Factory mountain is other ascent at the military tournament title to the lands, but they had become noon, arising at 5:06 and descending at

The bailoon was manned by Lieut Foulois and Sergt. Ward, as on yesterday, and the trial was without mishap. A distance of six miles at a height of 200 feet was covered.

ST. JOSEPH. Mo., September 19 .- The trip was one of the most successful ever made in the Baldwin dirigible. Lieut. Foulois, after computing the time, said that the craft was in the air twenty-two minutes and fifteen seconds, and he estimated that the distance traveled was a fraction more than ten miless.

Sails Toward Lake.

The route taken by the balloon was the one that Lieut. Foulois had mapped out After circling about for a minute over the balloon grounds, Sergt. Ward headed

the craft toward Lake Contrary. At this time the gas bag was only at an elevation of about 100 feet. It gradually ascended, however, until it reached a height of The strong wind caused the balloon to drift to the extreme south end of Lake

Contrary. On the return the airship passed directly over Camp Peabody, where about 5,000 soldiers are encamped. As the airship hove in view the men in damage by forest fires, including the The two officers in the airship respondto wild lands and in incor- ed by waving their hats. The airship though the independ stas like Mr. Bryan's unteer Regiment at High and, opposite headed for the balloon grounds. The bal-

loon was lowered to fifty feet over the ground and Sergt. Ward threw out the rope. After a few minutes' chasing the The hundreds of men who have soldiers captured it. Lieut. Foulois shut exerted almost every ounce of energy off power, and the balloon was pulled

With \$5,000 Worth of Jewelry.

PHILADELPHIA, September 19 .-- Under the very eyes of her mistress, who sus-She gave her name of Mary Kelly.

Mrs. Marsden engaged her and she began to work immediately. As Mrs. Marsden stood on the porch yesterday seeing At Surrey the drift of the wind was tak- her son off to school, the girl dressed in Mrs. Marsden noticed the apron tied in a bundle under her arm and asked her where she was going. She said she was going to post a letter. As time passed and the girl did not

appear, Mrs. Marsden went upstairs and xamined the safe, finding that all the iewelry was gone. There is no clue to the whereabouts of

No More Yellow Fever in Havana. HAVANA, September 19 .- Havana is now free of yellow fever and the authorities are convinced that the disease in the hold the spread of civilization in that part assure you that we will keep the peace, it

Prof. Rothrock has gone to the western part of the state in a similar mission. It is impossible to estimate with accuracy the number of men fighting forest fires throughout the state, but it is likely that the total under the surjection of the

Taft Replies to Criticism on Opens Way for Peace in West Railway Franchises. Virginia.

Election Was Preferred to

That of Bryan.

Railway Franchises.

ists in the enterprise, except in the con-

guarantee. It was secured in this wise:

a partnership in the railroad between the

government and the company, and having

among its many terms a guarantee of a

life of the franchise for eighty-eight years.

visions of the charter, and especially the

guarantee, were not binding on the

United States, the military government,

repudiated the obligations of the charter.

This left the franchise in a most inde-

terminate condition. In subsequent nego-

tiations we secured a contract with the

company to construct 400 additional miles

"This is the part of my record in the

of the Benguet railroad franchise. There

Purchase of Friar Lands.

to save a new insurrection by the 60,000

rent to the friars. The friars had good

ing these lands and that, therefore, they

would not recognize the friars as their

lawful owners. The purchase rid the

tenants and thus averted a new war.

"And not only in the matter of friar

lands, but in the matter of many charita-

charitable trusts and we take over others.

All the church questions are settled, well

settled and fairly settled. Meantime the

influence of the Catholic Church in the

Philippines for good has been increased

by the substitution of an American hier-

archy for the Spanish hierarchy. Epis-

copal, Methodist, Presbyterian and Bap-

tist churches have been established there

and a great improvement has come over

the islands with respect to religion and

morality, after the demoralization of

Desire of the Independents.

"In an interview I said that even the

independistas-that is, those in favor of

prefer republican victory to Mr. Bryan's

promises. Mr. Bryan now responds with

this on behalf of certain authorities in

month with Senor Quezon, who is the

leader of the independistas in the national

friend of the Filipino to Mr. Bryan's

promises. This statement Senor Quezon

Mr. Taft referred to what he said was

the helpful work of the churches in the

Policy as to Independence.

was Mr. Bryan's claim that the repub-

lican party had adopted his policy with

cent self-government. And his further

result in the utmost misery to the in-

"I submit there is not the slightest re-

habitants of the islands.

propose to give them independence.

The speaker then took up what he said

of opinion among the independistas."

ligious nature of the natives.

a cable from Alberto Barretto, denvin

immediate independence in the islands-

four years of war and desolation.'

the public benefit.

wisdom or propriety.

Best for the Islands. to Success.

WISH OF THE INDEPENDENTS JUDGE ROBINSON, PROBABLY

Says Their Leader Assured Him His Chairman Grant Says There Must Be No Bossism if Harmony

Is to Come.

CINCINNATI, September 19.-Judge Special Dispatch to The Star.

WHEELING, W. Va., September 19 .- As gathering of the citizens of Norwood, the outcome of the sensational fight bewith a tow of barges, is lying on a bed Ohio, in the assembly room of the Sin- tween Secretary of State Charles Wesley of gravel in the middle of what was the ton Hotel. His remarks were confined to Swisher and State Auditor Arnold C. a discussion of the Philippine question, Scherr, as rival republican candidates for In the Pittsburg harbor there are be- which he declared to be an issue in the governor of West Virginia, Swisher this tween fifteen and twenty million bushels campaign because of the position taken in evening announced his withdrawal, to of coal ready to be shipped to points the democratic platform. He took occa- be formally presented at a meeting of fuel reaches its destination before snow sion to answer the recent criticisms of the state committee at Clarksburg Monday night. Swisher also sent notice of

> Swisher's action did not come as a sur-B. Elkins because of his disinclination to withdraw in favor of Senator N. B. sacrifice two years in the upper house of Congress to preserve harmony in the republican ranks in this state and save

> Swisher, too, was out of campaign funds, while the Scherr faction was considerably strengthened, and despite the recognition of Swisher at the hands of the subcommittee in New York as the great headway with his campaign. Scheri recently received much encouragement from all parts of the state, and had placed petitions in the hands of the voters containing the names of the electors

only on the one ticket. Realizing that it would be impossible

This means that Judge Ira E. Robinson of the state supreme bench and a candidate for re-election will be selected as "Under the advice of the Attorney Genthe compromise candidate, although ...e eral of the United States that the pro-Scott talk has not entirely died out. Robinson was for many years attorney in this state for the Baltimore and Ohio drenching rain is said to be all that can before I became governor, had declined railroad and other corporations. He is a prevent additional fires, as it is practically to pay the income when demanded and strong man in party affairs, and is one of the few who could conduct a winning

> statement tonight: "It is true that Swisher has withdrawn

means to call my attention. He speaks to an amicable adjustment."

is no Benguet railroad. I wish there was. Not Yet Settled. I presume he refers to the Manila and PARKERSBURG, W. Va., September Dagupan railroad franchise. It was fully described in an elaborate report I made 19.-Chairman Grant of the Lincoln reto Congress in 1906. It was approved by publican party, which bolted the regular the President and the cabinet after full convention, said this afternoon that the consideration. Mr. Bryan is the first person, so far as I know, to question its bolting candidate for governor, Arnold C. Scherr, will withdraw from the contest if the representatives of Swisher, the

train for his home at Morgantown to tenants on the lands who refused to pay spend Sunday, said: 'The way is now open for a reorganization of the republican party in the state grounds in South St. Joseph this after- unpopular and the tenants refused to rec- and a happy solution to the entangled ognize their title, claiming the Aguinaldo state of affairs in the party, provided, government had passed a law nationaliz- however, that the Swisherites will go still further. They must give us positive assurance that the way will be opened so

> at the instance of the friars adgments without the manipulation of bosses. in the courts for the ejection of 60,000 "As soon as they will do this we "As soon as they will do this we, as

> > FIGHTING BOB EVANS WANTS

Praises Soldiers and Sailors-Says War Must Come and Advocates Big Navy.

the independista party. I relied for my out today as an advocate of higher penstatement on a conversation I had last sions for civil war veterans. He made a characteristic speech at the unveiling of assembly, in which he told me that al- a monument to the 156th New York Volplatform they preferred my election as a this city, in the course of which he said:

subsequently repeated in a published in- in the great war that our Union might be terview. There is evidently a difference saved. Don't give them any more \$12-amonth bounties. If you are going to starve the men who all but gave up their islands, particularly in view of the re- lives for you it would be better to do it at once and not prolong the process day by day and year by year as you have been doing.

A Wicked Slander.

"It is the fashion now for certain men reference to the islands, that he desired to call you murderers and robbers, but to give them independence and that we it is a wicked slander. You are the same "Mr. Bryan's method of giving them in- boys in blue that you were back in '61. dependence was to re'ease them at once. The boys in blue are the same gallant, immediately after the treaty of Paris, and clean, hard hitters in every way. I saw let them make the best way they could, them in the civil war, in the picinic, is through bloody faction and chaos, to demethod was to interfere as much as pos- you that there are no better men than sible by agitation in this country and ve- those in the blue coats. They are in the hement denunciation of our policy with navy, too, and I just took a lot of them the efforts which we were making to bring through the Straits of Magellan. It was tranquillity and peace to the islands. We the talk that somebody would hurt us

Advocates of Peace.

semblance between our policy and that which Mr. Bryan proposes," Mr. Taft long as you can. There are no greater concluded. "Hence, I say, my fellow- advocates of peace than the officers of "If you give us battleships enough !

in endurance, great in the future to make passed upon the beauty, the comfort and Jusserand, French ambassador to the dered. It was destroyed and rebuilt again | The grand lodge closed its secret ses- Peabody Wetmore of Rhode Island.

In the teeth of a strong wind the forest The democratic "The democratic party." he said, "has the withdrawal to Chairman Hitchcock of ire that has been burning for a week in declared in its platform that as soon as a the national committee, stating that he the Barclay mountain district hemmed in stable government is established in the would make a full explanation of the step

Long Valley Coal Company, were de-stroyed. Odd Fellows' Hall was on fire. Judge Taft reviewed the alternatives down by United States Senator Stephen erence to the Philippines at the close of women and children loaded household clusion that there was no other course Scott, who would have been willing to but to assume the responsibility. "And," he added, "Mr. Bryan and his followers were responsible for the cost which arose during an unnecessary year the vote to Taft.

On the subject of railway franchises in the islands, which has been critically referred to by Mr. Bryan recently, Mr. Taft | regular republican candidate, was making "The greatest need in the material development of the islands is the construction of rallways. Under the organic act of 1902 Congress gave us authority to which the Swisher faction sought to have grant railway franchises, but try as we would we were not able to enlist capital-

for either Scherr or Swisher to defeat Louis Bennett, the democratic candidate, Swisher decided to withdraw. The com-"In 1905 Congress passed a law enabling mittee of the Swisher faction at its meetus to guarantee the interest on the bonds ing Monday night at Clarksburg will acof any new railway to the extent of 4 miles of railroad in each of the three declines to discuss his withdrawal, but as Luzon we secured the construction of 400 Auditor Scherr originally agreed to quit the fight in favor of Judge Goff or some miles of additional railway without any receptive candidate, the Swisherites will compel him to keep his word and quit The Manila and Dagupan road had been the race. built under a Spanish franchise, creating

Judge Robinson Now.

campaign at this late stage. Senator Elkins gave out the following

and will express his intention in a formal n Luzon under a perpetual franchise by bringing the old railroad under the same way to the committee Monday night. Nothing has been done toward planning franchise. All the railroad franchises authorized by the present government in for his successor as the republican standthe Philippines are perpetual, just as ard bearer. That is a question which they are in this country. They all con- will be considered by representative retain the provision, however, that they are | publicans in conference, and no selection subject to amendment or repeal by Con- should be made until all phases of the case have been carefully gone over. What gress. The arrangement was greatly for we must do is to determine upon a man who can harmonize the party and lead it Philippines to which I suppose Mr. Bryan to victory. I think the way is now clear

regular nominee, will meet him in a spirit "Next we bought the friars' lands and paid \$7,000,000 for them. This was done Chairman Grant, before boarding a

that the people of the party can have government of the necessity of enforcing the right to select their own candidates

the Lincoln republicans, are ready to ster out of the way and allow a new ticket to be selected and to work for the success ble trusts we have effected a compromise of the party, and until they do this we by which the church takes over some are still in the field."

PLEADS FOR THE VETERANS

HIGHER PENSIONS.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., September 19. "Fighting Bob" Evans, the retired reat admiral of the United States Navy, came

"Be good to those old men who fought

have a ways contended that the immediate independence which Mr. Bryan didn't hurt us a bit and if they had I wishes to give to the Philippines would would have felt sorry for the other fel-

"War must come, but keep it away as

citizens and neighbors, that one of the the army and navy. They know that the great reasons for keeping Mr. Bryan out of the presidency and his party out of only way to keep peace is by having both the control of Congress is that they are army and navy so strong that other napledged to abandon the islands, to adopt tions and men will fear to attack us the policy of scuttle, to rid this govern- There is no danger to the liberties of the ment of the burden which it has assumed people in this policy.

with respect to this people and to withwe have to fight for it."

Matthew Trimble. Vice President Masonic Temple Association.

Jehovah by the Jew-under an emperor of "whose unwavering and untiring efforts,"

the direction of Sol Minster, played ap-The stations of the Grand Lodge were "The material temple is gone, the stone Thomas H. Young, grand lecturer; Joseph

Distinguished Men Present. There were present Past Grand Masters E. G. Davis, Jesse W. Lee, jr., Har-"Our craft stands for the brotherhood rison Dingman, James A. Sample, L. Cabell Williamson, George W. Baird, Matthew Trimble, William G. Henderson, Harry Standiford, James A. Wetmore, Lurtin R. Ginn, Walter A. Brown and Francis J. Woodman, Past Deputy Grand Master Joseph Jochum, Past Junior Grand Wardens Warren H. Orcutt and George E. Corson, Grand High

homas P. Morgan. Potentate Roe Fulkerson of Almas

gressional convention held here.

received at the department of forestry show that fires are raging in many sections of the state and vast areas are being burned over.